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Rev. James B. Furley
Upper Sandusky

Ohio.

Left 22nd
June 1823

Charles Elliott

Delaware May 28th 1823

Dr. bro.

I and my wife and child arrived here this morning in good health and am journeying to Pennsylvania. Bro. Wright from Cincinnati had been in Urbana before I got there from Sandusky, and left for you \$256.46 in money and your due bill or draft for \$25. both sums making \$279.46, which, bro. Wright says, is the amount of a draft you have on bro. Putter. The money and your note or draft he left at bro. Reynolds for me in order that I should carry or send them to you, and send bro. Putter's draft to him. I send the whole, together with, 3 letters left for you by bro. Wright, with bro. M. Cleary, which I think is the safest way I can communicate it. He also left \$2.8 dollars from the Cincinnati Missionary Society: this sum I retain, some of which I want to bear my expenses and other uses as I have now no more than \$2.62¹/₂ of my own which would be too small a sum for me to venture on such a journey with. As much of it as I can spare I will probably give in payment to M. Byxby in part of what is owing to him on account of the mission.

What things that can be obtained in and about Urbana will be found at bro Reynolds, Wallace, Coates, Mint-ham's at the road, and bro. Spains, and perhaps a spinning wheel at Milford. There is a prospect of two small loads, the one from Piqua Circuit and the other from Xenia, which they will either haul to Sandusky or to Urbana.

You and I were conversing formerly when we were going back to Sandusky about the last of July or first of August. But upon more mature consideration I think it would be entirely inconsistent either for me to undertake it, or for you to admit it; and for this plain reason, that I will be no better qualified to carry on the business there at that time, than I was when dismissed from Sandusky. I expect therefore to get there so as to have time to stay a few days and then go immediately to Conference. You can have your report ready by conference, and that part which I have transacted as it relates to receipts and expenditures can be easily adjusted.

I enclose \$2.50 and the draft in this letter and \$4.16 I send in silver

Yours in haste

Charles Elliott